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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Examiner: Christopher M. Babic

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For: METHOD FOR DETECTING SARS CORONAVIRUS

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on

April 11, 2007:

REMARKS

This Statement is fully responsive to the Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) and the Interview Summary dated April 16, 2007.

The interview was initiated by the Examiner. Therefore, no further recordation by the Applicant is believed to be required.

During the interview, the following was discussed:

Examiner Babic telephoned Applicants indicating that the sequences elected in Applicants' response filed March 19, 2007, did not appear to be contained within the elected claims. Applicants replied that a telephonic response would soon follow.

On April 19, 2007, Applicants telephoned Examiner Babic and provided that claims 5-7, 12, 17, and 19 included the elected sequences. The Examiner requested an amendment. Applicants asserted that an amendment was not necessary and, in response, the Examiner indicated that authorization by his Supervisor was required prior to examination. Later that same day, Examiner Babic telephoned Applicants indicating that the Supervisory Patent Examiner agreed with Applicants that claims 5-7, 12, 17 and 19 should be examined, in light of the election.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

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